

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

[FRL-4843-5]

**Proposed Administrative Settlement
Pursuant to the Comprehensive
Environmental Response,
Compensation and Liability Act
("CERCLA"), as Amended by the
Superfund Amendments and
Reauthorization Act—Idaho Pole Co.
Site, Bozeman, MT****AGENCY:** U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency.**ACTION:** Notice; request for public
comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of section 122(i)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9622(i)(1), notice is hereby given of a proposed administrative settlement under section 122(h) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9622(h) concerning the Idaho Pole Company site near Bozeman, Montana. The proposed administrative settlement requires Idaho Pole Company (Washington Corporation); Idaho Pole Company (Co-Partnership); Burlington Northern Railroad Company; L.D. McFarland Company, Ltd.; McFarland Cascade Holdings, Inc.; Brendon Corry McFarland; and Gregory D. McFarland ("Settling Parties") to pay \$2,193,578.00 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"). The settlement resolves the liability of Settling Parties to the United States under Section 107 of CERCLA for reimbursement of response costs incurred at the Idaho Pole Company site pursuant to CERCLA through September 30, 1993.

DATES: Opportunity for comment: Comments must be submitted on or before March 31, 1994.

ADDRESSES: The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA Montana Office Record Center, Federal Building, 301 S. Park, Drawer 10096, Helena, Montana 59626-0096. Comments should be addressed to Jim Harris, Remedial Project Manager, at the above address, and should reference the Idaho Pole Company site.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jim Harris at (406) 449-5720.

It is so agreed:

Dated: February 9, 1994.

William Yellowtail,*Regional Administrator.*

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[FRL-4843-2]

**National Oil and Hazardous
Substances Pollution Contingency
Plan; National Priorities List****AGENCY:** U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of intent to delete Revere
Textile Prints Corporation Superfund
Site from the National Priorities List:
Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region I announces its intent to delete the Revere Textile Prints Corporation Superfund Site (the Revere Site) from the National Priorities List (NPL) and requests public comment on this action. The NPL constitutes Appendix B to the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), which EPA promulgated pursuant to section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended. EPA and the State of Connecticut have determined that all appropriate CERCLA actions have been implemented and that no further CERCLA cleanup is appropriate. Moreover, EPA and the State have determined that removal activities conducted at the Revere Site to date have been protective of public health, welfare, and the environment with regard to CERCLA.

DATES: Comments concerning this site may be submitted on or before March 31, 1994.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: Eric van Gestel, Remedial Project Manager, HEC CAN 6, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Boston, MA 02203.

Comprehensive information on this site is available through the EPA Region I public docket, which is located at EPA's Region I office and is available for viewing by appointment only from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Requests for appointments of copies of the background information from the Regional public docket should be directed to the EPA Region I docket office.

The address for the Regional docket office is: Ms. Linda D'Amore, Docket Clerk, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, John F. Kennedy Federal Building—RCG, Boston, MA 02203, (617) 565-3351.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Background information from the Regional public docket is also available for viewing at the Revere Site information repository located with:

Clair French, Sterling Public Library,
1110 Plainfield Pike, Oneco, CT 06373,
(203) 564-2692.

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I. Introduction

EPA Region I announces its intent to delete the Revere Textile Prints Corporation Superfund Site, Sterling, Connecticut, from the NPL, which constitutes Appendix B of the NCP, and requests comments on this deletion. The EPA identifies sites that appear to present a significant risk to public health, welfare, or the environment and maintains the NPL as the list of those sites. Sites on the NPL may be the subject of remedial actions financed by the Hazardous Substance Superfund Response Trust Fund (the Fund). Pursuant to § 300.425(e) (3) of the NCP, any site deleted from the NPL remains eligible for fund-financed remedial actions if conditions at the site warrant such action.

EPA will accept comments concerning this site for thirty days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Section II of this notice explains the criteria for deleting sites from the NPL. Section III discusses procedures that EPA is using for this action. Section IV discusses how the site meets the deletion criteria.

II. NPL Deletion Criteria

The NCP establishes the criteria that the agency uses to delete sites from the NPL. In accordance with 40 CFR 300.425(e), sites may be deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate. In making this determination, EPA will consider whether any of the following criteria have been met:

(i) Responsible parties or other persons have implemented all appropriate response actions required under CERCLA;

(ii) All appropriate fund-financed response under CERCLA has been implemented, and no further response action by responsible parties is appropriate under CERCLA; or

(iii) The remedial investigation has shown that the release poses no significant threat to public health or the environment and, therefore, taking of remedial measures under CERCLA is not appropriate.

III. Deletion Procedures

Deletion of sites from the NPL does not itself create, alter, or revoke any individual's rights or obligations. The NPL is designed primarily for informational purposes and to assist Agency management.

EPA Region I will accept and evaluate public comments before making a final decision to delete. The Agency believes that deletion procedures should focus on notice and comment at the local level. Comments from the local community may be the most pertinent to deletion decisions. The following procedures were used for the intended deletion of this site:

1. EPA Region I has recommended deletion and has prepared the relevant documents.

2. The State of Connecticut has concurred with the decision to delete the site from the NPL.

3. Concurrent with this National Notice of Intent to Delete, a local notice has been published in local newspapers and has been distributed to appropriate federal, state and local officials, and other interested parties. This local notice announces a thirty (30) day public comment period on the deletion package, which starts two weeks from the date of the notice, March 15, 1994, and will conclude on April 14, 1994.

4. The Region has made all relevant documents available in the Regional Office and local site information repository.

The comments received during the notice and comment period will be evaluated before the final decision to delete. The Region will prepare a Responsiveness Summary, which will address the comments received during the public comment period.

A deletion will occur after the EPA Regional Administrator places a notice in the **Federal Register**. The NPL will reflect any deletions in the next final update. Public notices and copies of the Responsiveness Summary will be made available to local residents by Region I.

IV. Basis for Intended Site Deletion

The Revere Site is located in the center of Sterling, CT at the intersection of Route 14 and Main Street. The former textile mill operated from 1879 until March 1980 when a fire destroyed most of the buildings. The mill used a variety of pigments, paints and solvents to dye and clean textiles. In 1987, EPA added the site to the National Priorities List, making it eligible for federal action under the Superfund law.

Over 1500 drums of hazardous substances stored on the site were removed in 1983, along with some

contaminated soil. The possibility of residual contamination from these drums in area soil and ground water prompted EPA to continue investigations at the site.

The Remedial Investigation which began in 1990 included sampling of site soil, sediments, air, and ground water, and also testing of surface water such as the Moosup River. EPA found limited contamination in certain areas of the site, but not enough to cause a significant risk to human health or the environment.

Some of the contaminants found on the site during the Remedial Investigation include volatile organic compounds, heavy metals, and pesticides. In signing the Record of Decision, EPA assumes that the site will be developed for industrial or commercial purposes. Under this scenario, contamination at the site would not result in an unacceptable risk, therefore, no further work will occur. Also included in the final decision is a five year ground water monitoring program to ensure that contaminant levels do not increase.

EPA proposed the no-action alternative in August, 1992 and held a thirty day public comment period to accept comments on the plan. Copies of the Record of Decision along with responses to public comments are available in the Sterling Public Library in Oneco, Connecticut and in the EPA Records Center in Boston.

The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) completed a health assessment for the Revere Site in December, 1993. ATSDR reviewed the remedial investigation data and has made determinations in that document consistent with the no-action Record of Decision that the concentrations of contaminants measured did not pose an imminent health threat.

The Town of Sterling, Connecticut imposed deed restrictions at the Revere Site which include prohibitions of both present and future ground water use and non-commercial development.

EPA, with concurrence of the State of Connecticut, has determined that all appropriate Fund-financed responses under CERCLA at the Revere Site have been completed, and that no further cleanup by responsible parties under CERCLA is appropriate.

Dated: December 28, 1993.

Paul G. Keough,

Acting Regional Administrator, USEPA Region I.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1009-DR]

Mississippi; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Mississippi, (FEMA-1009-DR), dated February 18, 1994, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 20, 1994.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster for the State of Mississippi dated February 18, 1994, is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of February 18, 1994:

Alcorn, Benton, Calhoun, Chickasaw, Desoto, Grenada, Itawamba, Lafayette, Lee, Marshall, Panola, Pontotoc, Prentiss, Quitman, Tate, Tippah, Tishomingo, Tunica and Union Counties for Public Assistance. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance.)

G. Clay Hollister,

Deputy Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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[FEMA-1009-DR]

Mississippi; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Mississippi (FEMA-1009-DR), dated February 18, 1994, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 18, 1994.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated February 18, 1994, the President